

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment, reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of objection, and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested in light of the above amendment and the following remarks.

Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-14, 16-22 and 24-33 stand pending.

Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-14 and 16-20 stand rejected and claims 21, 22 and 24-33 stand allowed.

Applicant, through his attorney, wishes to thank the examiner for his indication of allowable subject matter in claims 21, 22 and 24-33 and has elected to cancel claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-14 and 16-20, without prejudice, in order to place the instant application in a form suitable for allowance.

With regard to the objection to claim 28, applicant has amended claim 28 to depend from independent claim 21 rather than previously cancelled claim 23. Accordingly, applicant believes that this amendment is sufficient to overcome the examiner's objection.

Although the last Office Action was made final, this amendment should be entered. Claim 28 has been amended to correct an error in form in that this claim was dependent from a previously cancelled claim, the subject matter of which was incorporated into claim 21 in a prior Office Action Response. As only a change in claim dependency has been made, no matter has been added to the claims that would require comparison with the prior art or any further review. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP 714.13, applicant's amendments should only require a cursory review by the examiner. The amendment therefore should be entered without requiring a showing under 37 CFR 1.116(b).

Applicant submits that claims 21, 22 and 24-33 are in a form that the examiner has indicated would be allowable and respectfully requests that the objection to claim 28 be withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance be issued.

Although applicant has elected to cancel claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-14 and 16-20, without prejudice, applicant reserves the right to re-prosecute these claims during the pendency of the co-pending parent patent application.

A petition for a two month extension of time to file this response, up until and including November 17, 2004, in response to the Final Office Action dated June 17, 2004, and a check in the amount of \$430.00 to cover the cost of filing the petition are attached hereto. Accordingly, this response is deemed timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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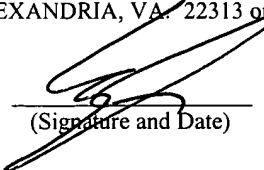
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